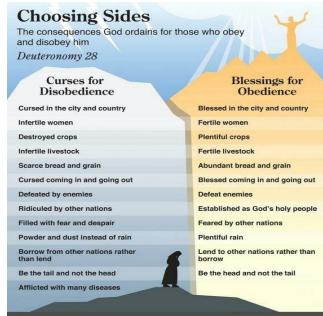
What is good about Good Friday? Why isn't it called Bad Friday? Because out of the appallingly bad came what was inexpressibly good. And the good trumps the bad, because though the bad was temporary, the good is eternal.

~ Randy Alcorn

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Good Friday Service

April 18, 2025 6:30 PM Pilot Knob's Purpose Statement

Worship God and proclaim His word so people will experience salvation through Jesus, mature in faith and equip all to serve in the church and world.

Prelude

Marcia Sampson

Welcome/Announcements

*Opening Hymn When I Survey the Wondrous Cross #324

*Silent Confession

First Lesson Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Second Lesson Galatians 3:13-14

Thy Word (Refrain)

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 27:32-48

Hymn O Mighty Cross #317

Sermon Made a Curse to be a Blessing

Nicene Creed Overhead

Confession & Absolution Overhead

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

All those who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior are welcome at His table.

*Words of Institution Back of Hymnal

*Hymn O Sacred Head Now Wounded Vs. 2 #316

Distribution Hymns #344, 337, 339

*Post Communion Response

*Closing Prayer

*Benediction

**Closing Hymn Now the Day is Over #489

*Indicates when to stand.

 $^{\sim}$ Let us leave the service in silence out of respect for our Lord's passion.

Sunday 20, 9:00 Easter Son-Rise service. No Sunday School

Please be sure to return your CPC baby bottles next Sunday.

There will be a sign-up sheet next Sunday (4/27) for summer treats. Be thinking of a Sunday you would like to serve.

Jesus had been rejected by His own countrymen, betrayed by one of His disciples, and abandoned by the rest (though some later returned to follow His final agony). He was suspended naked between earth and heaven. His body was wracked by the pain of innumerable wounds, his soul weighed down by the guilt of all humanity. Earth had rejected him, and heaven would not respond to his cry. As the sun withdrew its light and darkness covered him, his life blood ebbed out onto the dusty, stony soil. Yet out of the darkness, just before he expired, there came one final, triumphant cry: "It is finished!"

<u>Pray often:</u> Lord Jesus, I thank you that you were made sin with my sinfulness that I might be made righteous with your righteousness. I thank you that you were made a curse that I might enter into the blessing. Amen.